# Grants

### **Grants Resource Center**

Each year billions of dollars are distributed in federal grant and loan money to institutions and organizations throughout the country. The 12th District's universities, colleges, non-profit organizations, small businesses, and local governments are well-qualified to compete for these funds. This page is designed to provide information and resources to Georgia institutions and organizations seeking federal funds.

## Step 1: Register

The first step in the grant application process is to register at http://www.grants.gov/. The registration process is simple and will allow you to take the next steps to receive funding.

## Step 2: Research Opportunities

After you are registered, the next step is to gather information about grants you may qualify for. Federal funding, as well as private or corporate foundation funds are available. If you are seeking a grant for a local project, local community foundations may also have money available. There are many helpful links provided in the Resources for Finding Grants section below.

## Step 3: Get More Information

Once you have identified some possible sources of funding, I encourage you to contact the programs and foundations for more information. Be sure to note things like application guidelines and deadlines.

## Step 4: Apply

Once you are ready to apply, I invite you to take a moment to review the How to Write Grant Proposals section below to prepare yourself for the writing process. A well-written proposal is an important part of gaining funding for your project.

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#### Resources for Finding Grants

Federal Resources

Current Federal Grants Postings (grants.com)

Check current federal grant postings and apply online.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (cfda.gov)

Describes over 1500 federal grants. Grant seekers can identify programs that might support their projects.

USA.gov

Grant

information for businesses, non-profits, and local government. Also provides an A-Z index of U.S. Departments and Agencies.

Federal Funds Express

A resource page compiled for Congressional offices with information on a wide variety of public and private funding sources.

**Small Business Administration** 

Independent federal agency dedicated to assisting and protecting small businesses.

Patriot Express Pilot Loan Initiative

A Small Business Administration initiative for veterans and members of the military community wanting to establish or expand small businesses.

Community Oriented Policing Grants

COPS provides grants to tribal, state and local law enforcement agencies for the hiring of officers, upgrading of technology, and implementation of programs to reduce crime - including methamphetamine use.

Private Resources

**Foundation Center** 

Provides information about more than 70,000 private and community foundations.

Grantsmanship Center

Click

on state map to find links to information about foundations, community foundations, and corporate giving programs in Georgia.

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For a step-by-step online guide to writing grant proposals, visit the CFDA's Developing and Writing Grant Proposals. Or you can take the Foundation Center Proposal Writing Short Course.

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